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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 20,

Line 5, delete "i) the" and insert -- i) a --.

Lines 17-18, delete "the isostabilizing agent is" and insert -- the composition comprises --.

Lines 26 and 27, after "°C" delete ".".

Lines 29-30, delete "the hybridization solution" and insert -- the composition --.

Line 47, delete "olgionucleotide" and insert -- nucleic acid molecule --.

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